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PARTY LEADERS SIT TIGHT AND VOTERS ON EDGE AS ELECTION DAY DRAWS NEAR

Republican Party Claims Big Landslide—Vote in Missouri Depends on Weather.

PROPAGANDA IS DENIED

Professor Sues Dayton Journal for \$100,000 Libel in Reference to Article Against Harding.

CHICAGO, Nov. 1.—The quadricennial election is now coming to a close and all party leaders are said to be ready for the "showdown." The last claims for success have been thrown into the "pot" and the hands are ready for the "call." Victor H. Hays, for the Republicans, has announced that he has a count of 330 votes for Harding. He also predicts a C. D. P. landslide.

Frank C. Dornan, in registering a claim for the Democrats, declared that the Des Moines speech of Senator Harding was the factor which caused the drifting away from him in the north central states and that it was still continuing.

Both parties admit that the women are the vital factor in the election and that they are all guessing as to what will happen in regard to them.

WISCONSIN ON EDGE

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 1.—The Democrats in the rural districts of the state are the hope of the Democrats for carrying the state of Missouri, and the large majority of the Republicans in the city of St. Louis is the hope of that party. It was given out here this morning. Rain is predicted for the state tomorrow and this is thought to be in favor of the Republicans as the city folks can get to the polls easier than can the voters from the country. It was announced that if the women of the state split in direct ratio to the men, Missouri will go Republican.

BOTH PARTIES DENY LIE

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—The Democratic and Republican headquarters alike issued a statement here today that any statements issued in regard to the article about Senator Harding's generosity would not be claimed by either office here. The statement said that there would be no reports issued in regard to the matter. Scott C. Bair, a member of the Republican National Committee, made the only statement in which he said that the correspondent of a large Eastern Democratic newspaper seemed to be well acquainted with the facts of the case. George White of the Democratic committee replied to the statement that it made the Democratic party responsible for the story. Governor Cox, talking by long distance from Dayton, issued the statement that there was absolutely not one word of truth in the accusation and nothing has come from the Democratic headquarters.

\$100,000 LIEBEL SUIT AGAINST JOURNAL

By United Press.

DAYTON, Ohio, Nov. 1.—A libel suit for \$100,000 has been filed in the Montgomery County common pleas court here today against the publishers of the Dayton Journal by Professor Esterbrook, Chancellor of Worchester College, Worchester. The paper printed an article which pointed the Worchester professor as the article in regard to the generosity of Senator Warren C. Harding. It appeared in the even column of that paper and took up the family history of the Republican candidate for President.

250,000,000 VOTES TO BE CAST

By United Press.

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—As the presidential campaign ends both the candidates are to be found in their home states. Twenty-nine million ballots are expected to be cast tomorrow in the United States. Nine million of these are to come from the women. If the women divide in direct ratio to the men it is predicted that the country will go Republican. If Cox's appeals for the League of Nations have been effective with the women it is said that the Democrats will win. An accurate forecast cannot be given, owing to the strength of the other parties other than the Republican and Democratic parties. The Farm and Labor Party and also the Socialists are expected to poll heavy votes.

OHIO IS TO BE HOTBED

By United Press.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Nov. 1.—The "hotbed" of election day is expected to rise now in the state of Ohio as the time for the presidential election draws near. As Ohio is sure to be the home state of the next president of the United States the heaviest vote in the history of the state is expected to be polled here tomorrow. Bad weather is predicted for Ohio, but that is not expected to affect the voting to any marked degree. Two million voters are registered in the state and the great part of them are expected to cast a vote tomorrow.

DEMOCRATS CLAIM ARKANSAS

By United Press.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Nov. 1.—As usual the Democrats are claiming the state of Arkansas. It was announced here early this morning.

WESTERN STATES FOR COX

By United Press.

ST. FRANCISCO, Nov. 1.—No one—no western manager for the Democrats, said

TRIAL SHOWS BALLOTS COULD BE CAST IN 2 MINUTES, 27 SECONDS

"How long would it take a voter to vote if he knew exactly how he wished to cast his ballot?" This question was asked a reporter by Judge John S. Bicknell this morning.

With the reporter as the election judge and Judge Bicknell as the voter a trial test was made. It was found that it takes two minutes and twenty-seven seconds from the time the voter receives his ballot until the vote is placed in the ballot box by the election judge. It would be well for all voters to know how they wish to vote before going to the polls as it would greatly reduce the congestion at the voting places.

200 SAVITARS SOLD TODAY

By United Press.

ALL Students to Be Solicited by Department Committees.

Almost five hundred Savitars had been sold this afternoon during the first day of the campaign for selling the 1921 year book. The campaign was started early this morning, and the staff expect that orders for 2000 books will be taken today and tomorrow.

The books are being sold under a new plan this year, the old system of electing agents and selling through the societies having been done away with at the advice of faculty members. Savitars are being sold this year through committees in each division in the University. Each committee is headed by the all department president in that school, who has a number of solicitors working under him. A card index has been made containing the name of every University student and each solicitor is assigned certain students to sell. It is expected that every student will be asked to buy a Savitar either today or tomorrow.

Each school is assigned a quota of books to be sold, the estimates running from 1000 for the College of Arts and Sciences to 32 for the School of Medicine.

The campaign in Academic Hall is in charge of Joe Allen. He has four first assistant managers under him, John Caskey, George Williams, James Coppage and Henry McQueen. Each of these men have ten assistants working under them, making a total of forty-five in that school. The headquarters of the Savitar board is in the corridor of Academic Hall and those wishing to buy Savitars may do so there.

In all of the other schools, from five to ten solicitors are working under their department head. There is much rivalry between the schools for the highest number of subscriptions. The leaders in the campaign are: Agriculture, William Engle; Engineering, Herbert Draper; Education, Isabel Nasson; Journalism, James McClain; Law, Clarence Powell; Commerce, Raymond Gramp; Graduate, James Quinn and Medicine, Dwight Clark.

TO OBSERVE WEEK OF PRAYER

Woman's Missionary Society Outlines Program for Week.

A Week of Prayer will be observed this week by the Woman's Missionary Society of the Broadway Methodist Church. The following program will be carried out during the week.

Monday, 3 p. m.—"A Shepherdless Mission in Mexico," Miss Bettie May Baker, leader.

Tuesday, 3 p. m.—"Motherhood and Homeless Daughters," Mrs. Blanche Howard, leader.

Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.—"For the World Today," Mrs. F. F. Stephens, leader.

Thursday, 3 p. m.—"Young Womanhood," Mrs. Fannie E. Moore, leader.

Friday, the special service for the day will be held at four o'clock. "A Prayer for the children," Mrs. J. M. Blosser, leader.

Thursday the Young People's Missionary Society will assist in the program. Friday an all day meeting will be held and an intensive program has been provided for the entire day. All of the meetings will be held in the church.

HOUSE CONTROL FAVORS G. O. P.

But Democrats Predict a Victory Despite Republican Odds.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 1.—In the struggle for control of the next House of Representatives, the odds are considerably in favor of the Republicans, owing to their majority in the present House of forty-six.

But, notwithstanding this handicap, Democratic managers, at the close of one of the hottest Congressional campaigns in recent years, are confidently predicting a Democratic margin of from ten to fifteen votes. On the other hand, the Republicans are hoping to increase their lead to at least sixty and possibly seventy.

There has been very little Congressional courtesy in this campaign. The Democrats have put up vigorous fights in districts hitherto considered safely Republican, and the G. O. P. managers have boldly invaded traditional Democratic soil.

For example, some of the closest results will likely be recorded in the Republican states of Massachusetts, Connecticut and Pennsylvania, where the Democrats have been especially active on behalf of their Congressional candidates. In Massachusetts they are expecting to increase their four votes to seven; in Connecticut, they hope to elect four Representatives in place of the one in the present House, and in Pennsylvania to make it twelve instead of seven.

NEW VOTERS TO FIND THE PROCESSEASY

All Balloting Must Be Done at Courthouse—Polls Open at 7 a. m. and Close at 6 p. m.

URGED TO COME EARLY

Cross Out "No" and Leave "Yes" for Amendments Wished—Do Not Sign Ballot.

Points to be remembered:

1. Call for a ballot.
2. Go to a booth.
3. Select your party ballot and amendment ballot.
4. If you vote a straight ticket, fold the ballot face in without any marks. On the amendment ballot, cross out the "yes" or the "no" in front of each amendment.
5. If you vote a mixed ticket, cross out the name of the man, or the name of the presidential elector, you don't want to vote for and write on the line directly underneath the name of the candidate desired.
6. Return the ballot to the table from which it was taken, give the judge your name and ballot and pass out.
7. Absentee voters should be sure that the names of all six judges are written on the ballot in full.
8. Absentee voters should cross out the names of the county officers appearing on the ballot, and write in the names of their own county candidates.

Simplicity will mark the election process at the polls Tuesday. A few women will probably face voting for the first time as an ordeal, others as a great adventure. Voting for the first time should not be dreaded because of a vague and mistaken idea of a complicated process required to cast a ballot.

All voting in Columbia will be done at the courthouse. There are four precincts in the Columbia district but they are combined at a single meeting place. The polls are open from 7 o'clock in the morning until 6 o'clock in the evening. From 7 o'clock until 8 o'clock the polls are open to the public.

Local party leaders urge everybody to vote early, which will only prevent a rush but guard against a last-hour congestion of voters.

Miss or Mrs. or Mr.—Average First: Voter will arise Tuesday and make an early start for the courthouse. She may take her friends or she may go alone. In the corridor of the courthouse will be four tables side by side with six judges sitting at each.

The first two men at each table are distributing ballots. Before them are six piles of ballots, five for the political parties which have candidates for president, and one ballot which contains the fifteen proposed amendments to the Missouri constitution. All six ballots will be given to the prospective voter. Close to the tables are steel booths designed to give privacy to the voter. She takes these six ballots and enters a booth. Of course, after listening to six weeks' campaign oratory, everyone has fully decided upon his or her party. Let us say, for example, it is the farmer-labor party, and we want to vote it "straight"; that is, to vote for an amendment cross out "No" and leave "Yes" standing in front of that amendment. If you wish to vote against the amendment, scratch out "Yes" and leave "No" standing. Fold the ballot and place it in the first one. The other four ballots must be folded and returned to the judges.

Go back to the table where the ballots were taken out and return them to the judges giving your name. The two judges who accept the ballots you are voting are called the receiving judges. They place their initials on the folded ballots and hand them to a clerk at the same table who enters the name of the voter and the number of the ballot in a recording book. Then the voting is complete.

You have taken an active part in the great American game of politics. You can justly claim an interest in the actions of the future President.

In case the voter does not wish to vote for every man on the ballot, draw a mark through each name you are opposing and write the name of your choice on the dotted line directly below.

The names of the presidential candidates do not appear on the tickets, but only the electors who will later deliver their votes for an official count in Washington. No marks need be made on the ballot if a straight ticket is voted.

Absentee voters, that is, those who do not live in Columbia but are eligible to vote in the state and national election and wish to have their votes sent to their home towns, follow the same process the other voters do with one exception. An absentee ballot, vote your choice for national and state officers but cross out the names of the county candidates, and write the names of your own county officers on the ballot. In returning the ballot to the judges, insist that the name of all the six judges are written on your ballot in full. Otherwise, the vote is killed.

Columbia Girl Weds.

A marriage license was issued Saturday to Milton Patrick, 24, of Huntedale, and Miss Myrtle Sexton, 18, of Columbia. Mr. Smith is 48.



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WOMEN ADOPT LEAGUE STAND

Republican Senators Condemned in Resolutions at Democratic Meeting Today.

When the Democratic women of Columbia met in a mass meeting in the Y. M. C. A. Building this afternoon they adopted a resolution, joining with the Pro-League Independents in condemning the Republican senators who defeated the treaty in the Senate and specifically endorsing Cox for president. Long for the Senate and Nelson for Congress. The resolution says:

We, the Democratic women of Boone County and of Columbia, join with the Pro-League Independents in their condemnation of the small group of Republican senators who formed a conspiracy to defeat the ratification of the League in the United States Senate. It is this group which secured the signatures of 38 Senators to oppose the ratification before it had been finally presented to the Senate.

As a result of this conspiracy our national honor is trailing in the dust; our prestige, our national leadership gone; international good will disappearing; we stand before the world branded as quitters; traitors to our allies in the peace settlement; unfaithful to the promises made to our men who fought and gave their lives to end war.

Therefore, be it resolved that it is our patriotic duty to let no matter of expediency; no prejudice or hate; no personal friendship; no selfish interests deter us from voting for Cox and Roosevelt in this election. They are for going into the League of Nations. Harding is for staying out. "Entrance into the League will restore to the United States her natural position in the world as the leading advocate of liberty, justice and peace for all men."

Also, be it resolved that we will vote for Breckinridge Long for United States Senator. He will support the League of Nations and a Democratic president.

Be it resolved that we support with our vote W. L. Nelson for Congress who has served this district faithfully and efficiently for the past two years.

Mrs. S. C. Hunt, Mrs. Emily F. Harsh, Mrs. W. S. Williams, Committee.

Montague's Condition Improved.

The condition of H. A. Montague, the soldier who fell from the press box at Rollins Field Saturday afternoon, is improved. Mr. Montague is in the artillery unit of the R. O. T. C. in attempting to leave the bleachers he tried to go down a tree in back of the press box, and fell fifty feet. He was discharged from Parker Memorial Hospital today.

Marriage License Issued.

A marriage license was issued to T. A. Smith of Midway and Miss Maggie Merkle Saturday. Miss Merkle, who is a resident of Columbia is 38 years old. Mr. Smith is 48.

THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Clearing weather late this afternoon followed by generally fair tonight and Tuesday; much colder tonight, continued cold Tuesday. Temperature tonight to about 25.

For Missouri: Generally fair tonight and Tuesday, preceded by unsettled weather; much colder tonight with temperature considerably below freezing; colder extreme east portion Tuesday.

The southwest low pressure has traveled slowly northeast, and at 7 a. m. this morning was central in Iowa. An extensive shelf of rain covers the country from the Gulf coast north to Canada, and up the Ohio to Pennsylvania. There has been a heavy snowfall in South Dakota, Nebraska, western Kansas and Colorado and some snow fell over Northwest Texas and Oklahoma. The weather is cold in most western sections.

Rain has fallen over all of Missouri and the roads are muddy. Skies will begin to clear over western and central sections this afternoon and generally fair cold weather will prevail over Tuesday and Wednesday.

Local Data: The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 68 degrees; and the lowest last night was 52 degrees. Precipitation 0.14. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 69 degrees and the lowest was 45 degrees. Precipitation 0.50. Noon yesterday: dry bulb, 64 degrees; wet bulb, 56 degrees; relative humidity, 57 per cent. 7 a. m. today: dry bulb, 56 degrees; relative humidity 93 per cent. Sun rose today 6:37 a. m. Sun sets 5:09 p. m. Moon rises 10:11 p. m.

HALLOWEEN PAGEANT IS GIVEN

Student Band and Cosmopolitan Club Hold a Special Program.

A Halloween pageant in three acts written by Newton D. Gottschall was presented at the Broadway Methodist Church last night by members of the Student Volunteer Band and the Cosmopolitan Club. It was preceded by a musical program under the direction of H. H. Loudenback.

The situation in mission fields was summed up by Dean Walter Miller, who commented on facts, figures and geographical comparisons shown on the screen. Miss Elizabeth Thompson, talked on "It's Up to You," emphasizing the necessity of missionary evangelization being done by young people with college education.

GARDNER APPOINTS DELEGATES

Four Columbia Men to Attend Farmers' National Congress.

E. A. Logan, J. L. Hill, William Hirth and A. J. Meyer of Columbia have been appointed delegates to the Farmers' National Congress which will convene at Columbus, Ohio, November 16 to 19. The Missouri delegation which numbers twenty-four members was appointed by Governor Gardner last Friday.

The Farmers' National Congress is one of the oldest farmers organizations of the newer type, according to Mr. Logan. It has been in existence about twenty years.

BOONE COUNTY CAMPAIGNING ENDS TONIGHT

Both Parties Will Hold Rallies in Courthouse—To Give Instructions in Voting.

POLLS OPEN ALL DAY

Democratic Headquarters in Conley-Meyer Bank Tomorrow—Republican South of Courthouse.

Several weeks of political campaigning in Boone County will be brought to a sharp close tonight, with Republican and Democratic rallies at the Courthouse. The Democratic rally, under the direction of G. B. Sapp, will be held in the Circuit Court room. The Republican meeting will be also held in the courthouse. The room has not been decided upon.

Both political party committees in the county are busy with eleven-hour preparations. Committees have arranged to have a fleet of automobiles at their disposal, which will be used to convey disabled and aged voters to the polls in the courthouse. The voting hours are from sun up until sundown, and voters are being urged to come to the polls as early as possible.

The Democratic women's headquarters will be moved today from the courthouse to the Columbia Kandy Kitchen, and the Republican headquarters will be across the street south from the courthouse. The Democratic men's headquarters will be in the Conley-Meyer Bank. Arrangements have been made by committeemen to take care of babies at their headquarters while the mothers are voting.

DEMOCRATIC RALLY FOR WOMEN

The rallies will be held at 8 o'clock tonight. The Democratic rally will be held especially for women; it was announced and full instructions on how to use the voting machine will be given. Programs at both rallies will include talks by political leaders in the county. Special music will probably be secured.

The Democratic women are making the arrangements for their mass meeting tonight and the speeches will be especially for the business women who have not been able to attend the daytime meetings. However, all the men are expected to come, too. Dr. A. W. Taylor will talk on the "League of Nations." Mrs. H. M. Hunsate will teach the women how to vote; Dr. J. B. Cole will tell about the Cox-Roosevelt club; and Mrs. S. C. Hunt, Sidney Rollins, and Rubey Hulien will talk on the county organization. There will also be community singing.

WOMEN PLAN HEADQUARTERS

Will Instruct Feminine Votes at Kolumbia Kandy Kitchen.

The Democratic women of Columbia township will have their headquarters at the Columbia Kandy Kitchen tomorrow. The ward chairmen will be at that place in case anyone wants to receive instruction or information in regard to voting.

The ward chairmen are as follows: First ward: West part, Mrs. R. H. Brashlow; central part, Mrs. Kent C. Truitt; east part, Mrs. L. B. Truitt.

Second ward: West half, Mrs. B. F. Mode; east half, Mrs. J. H. Fringle.

Third ward: West half, Mrs. Floyd C. Shoemaker; east half, Mrs. Madge Dyars.

Fourth ward: West half, Mrs. H. A. Collier; Miss Laura Matthews; east half, Mrs. W. S. Williams.

The automobile service will be in charge of W. K. Bayless, assisted by Mrs. George F. Truitt, Mrs. H. M. Hunsate and Mrs. Thomas King.

The headquarters for absentee voters on election day will be in the rear of Conley-Meyer Bank. Mrs. C. W. Greene and W. H. ("Wood") Sapp will have charge of instruction of women absentee voters.

At 7:30 o'clock tonight there will be a meeting especially for the business women of Columbia. There will be a short program and a demonstration of voting. Preceding the evening meeting Mrs. G. F. Truitt will be in the rest room of the courthouse to give any desired information to women voters.

NO WORD FROM J. W. STEWART

Relatives of Missouri Youth Unable to Confirm Death Message.

Mrs. Mildred Stewart, 1509 Windsor street, has not yet heard from her grandson, Joseph W. Stewart. A telegram received by her last Friday stated that he had been murdered in California, September 11. Mrs. Stewart had received several letters from her grandson since that time and was therefore confident that a mistake had been made.

Mrs. Florence Keene, a daughter of Mrs. Stewart, said that in the last letter received from Joseph Stewart he gave them a new address and the chances were that there might have been some delay in his receiving their message.

Harvard Club Elects Officers

The annual meeting of the Harvard Club of Columbia was held last Friday. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, A. C. Leiner; vice-president, E. R. Hedrick; secretary, J. W. Rankin. W. J. O'Brien and E. L. Spiering were elected to membership.